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Chief Superintendent February Message

The mission of Bishop Savaryn School is to provide a Catholic education that empowers students to achieve their full potential as they journey toward becoming faith-filled, ethical, global citizens.

Dear Bishop Savaryn Families,

We are excited to welcome new families to our Open House on Wednesday, February 4, at 6:00 PM. Your help in spreading the word about our Catholic French Immersion program is greatly appreciated and continues to strengthen our growing community. As we enter the month of February, we also begin our Lenten journey with a school liturgy led by Deacon Joseph. We are deeply grateful for his ongoing presence and guidance. This year, we have transformed one of our classrooms into a dedicated chapel space. Deacon Joseph is meeting with each class to explore the meaning of the Mass, offering students opportunities to deepen their understanding and appreciation of its significance.

PRE-ENROLMENT for 2026-2027

Registration for new students and pre-enrolment for current students is now open! Sign in to your [PowerSchool account](#) and click "Pre-Enrolment for Next Year" to let us know if you will be returning to our school or where you will be attending next year in Junior High. The pre-enrolment process lets us know how many students to expect in September 2026 and helps us plan for staffing, class sizes, and programming. To learn more, visit ecsd.net/pre-enrolment.

February is shaping up to be a full and vibrant month. We hope you enjoy all that it brings!

Mme Thomlinson & Mme Quintin

February



Important Reminders

*****Transportation Fees are due on or before the 15th of every month.**

February 2: Assembly at 1:00 PM

February 4: OPEN HOUSE at 6:00 PM

February 6: Family Dance

February 18: Ash Wednesday

No School:

- February 16
- February 25-27

Website:

bishopsavaryn.ecsd.net

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February Important Dates

Black History Month
February 2

February Assembly at 1:00 PM
Virtue: Respect Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys
Wellness Focus - Emotional Wellbeing
Registration for 2026-27 opens
ONLINE BISHOP SAVARYN STORE OPENS

February 4

Bishop Savaryn Open House at 6:00PM

February 6

Family Dance

February 10

Grade 4-6 Ski Trip

February 13

Valentine's Day-Friendship Recognition

February 16

No School - Family Day

February 17

Shrove Tuesday-
2 Pancake/I sausage provided by School Council
ONLINE STORE CLOSSES AT MIDNIGHT

February 18

Ash Wednesday Liturgy at 1:30 PM

February 19

Kindergarten Thursday Extra Day

February 20

Hot Lunch - Little Caesar's Pizza
Theme Day: Retro Day

February 24

Pink Shirt Day

February 25

No School - Faith Development Day

February 26&27

No School - Teachers Convention



February Assembly

Our February Assembly will be held on February 2 at 1:00 PM.

This month our leadership skill will focus on the Catholic virtue of respect. Our Wellness Leaders will continue to share information on holistic wellness grounded in the Indigenous Medicine Wheel. February will focus on emotional health and well-being.

Families are welcome to attend the assembly.

School Council

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 18 at 6:00 PM

Bishop Savaryn School Council Hybrid Meeting.
Join us for an informative evening.

Shrove Tuesday Ash Wednesday

School Council will be providing 2 pancakes and 1 sausage for all students. Thank you!!

Deacon Joseph will be leading our Ash Wednesday liturgy on Feb. 18 at 1:30 PM. Thank Mme Leclerc, Mme Brianna, 5D and 2D for preparing this important celebration.

St Charles Parish

St Charles Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM

<https://saint-charles.com/>

Reading Corner



EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

This month, we're featuring "Oui Build Readers", a resource with tips, activities, and strategies to help your child build reading confidence, develop vocabulary, and strengthen comprehension.

Learn more [HERE](#)



Learning Resources for
French Immersion Families

Topic #1: Oui Build Readers

Learn more: ecsd.net/ouilearntogether

French Immersion

The song "[Casser la table](#)" by Salebarbe is a socially conscious, festive song, and full of energy, celebrating change, resilience, and cultural affirmation, particularly in relation to Acadian identity. Get your dancing shoes on and give this song a listen!

Open House

Spread the news... our Open House will be held on Wednesday, February 4th at 6:00 PM.

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year opens February 2. If you know anyone that has a kindergarten-age child, please share the information about our school or encourage them to contact our office at 780-456-7837 for a school tour.



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Catholic Elementary School

Welcoming New Students



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OPEN HOUSE
FEBRUARY 4
6:00 PM

Parking & School Safety - Review all parking information

[HERE](#)





Hot Lunch Program

February Hot Lunch: Friday, February 20 from Little Caesar's Pizza.

Orders are due by Sunday, February 15.

Late orders will not be accepted. Grade 1-6 ONLY

<https://healthyhunger.ca/>



Student Council & Social Justice



Thank you for donating items for the Mustard Seed. It was a very successful clothing drive!



This month student council will be creating Candy Grams that students can purchase. Our profit from the sale of the Candy Grams will support the Dreambuilder's Foundation. Students will have the opportunity to write a message to the receiving student and then it will be delivered by members of student council on Feb. 13. We will do our best to make sure all candies are gluten and lactose free. Each Candy Gram costs 2.00\$. Thank you in advance for supporting the Dreambuilder's Foundation. The Dreambulider's Foundation supports all students at Edmonton Catholic Schools.

Bishop Savaryn Family Dance



Tickets available until Wednesday at 9 PM. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Purchase Tickets:

<https://ebsfundraisingassociation.square.site/>

Sign up to volunteer:

<https://volunteersignup.org/EB7WL>

If you have any questions, please contact The Bishop Savaryn School Council at:

Bishopsavarynparents@gmail.com



HELP teach our students to be safe by ONLY using the crosswalk to get across the street.

Communities of School Council Engagement

Community of School Councils: What We Heard

In November, families and administrators from 89 ECSD school communities, including ours, gathered for this school year's Community of School Councils engagement. Families shared what matters most in four areas that will guide the next Division Plan for Continuous Growth. They told us that belonging and visible faith are important, that they value consistent, engaging teaching practices across classrooms and schools, that access to mental health supports matters, and that classrooms need strong supports for diverse learning needs. Their feedback has been shared with the Board of Trustees and will help shape the 2026-2029 Division Plan. Read the summary report on our website.

Bishop Savaryn Online Store

BISHOP SAVARYN MERCH



Order Deadline

Februaury 17

QR Code HERE!



The Bishop Savaryn Online Store will be open from Monday, Februaury 2 until Tuesday, February 17.

Get your Dragon spirit wear here:

<https://bishopsavarynelementaryschoolspritwear.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Did you know....Indigenous Trivia Tips



TRIVIA TIP: INUK NHL PLAYER

Did you know, Jordin Tootoo was the first Inuk NHL player?



After playing 13 seasons in the NHL, Tootoo retired in 2018.

He is known for speaking to youth and maintaining his Inuit culture. Jordin has also authored two novels and is a father to two daughters who he calls his "Stanley Cups"

**Scan the QR Code
to learn more:**



<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/unreserved/inuk-nhl-player-jordin-tootoo-on-life-after-going-all-the-way-1.5025515>

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PRIVACY & SECURITY SETTINGS

Through out the year, themes will be highlighted monthly to support your child's journey as a digital citizenship. Join them as a partner in their education navigating the digital world!



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What is Important About Privacy and Security?

Privacy and security online become more complex as children start exploring social media, messaging, and a wider range of websites and apps. They are developing independence but may not fully understand the long-term effects of their digital footprint or how to spot scams and unsafe behaviors online. At this age, it's crucial to teach them how to protect their personal information, recognize secure platforms, and interact respectfully with others in digital spaces.



Privacy & Security Tips for Parents

Discuss Personal Information and Privacy Settings

- Explain the importance of keeping personal information private, like their full name, phone number, address, and school name. Show them how to use privacy settings on apps and websites to control who sees their posts and information.

Teach About Digital Footprints

- Help your child understand that everything they post online leaves a trail, or "digital footprint." Encourage them to think carefully before sharing photos, comments, or personal details by asking, "Would I be okay with my teacher or future employer seeing this?"

Guide Social Media Use

- If they use social media or messaging apps, review the rules together. Emphasize respectful and kind communication and the importance of only connecting with people they know in real life.

Promote Strong Password Practices

- Help your child create strong passwords using a mix of letters, numbers, and symbols. Teach them not to reuse passwords across sites and to keep passwords private, even from friends.

Help Identify Safe Websites and Apps

- Teach your child how to evaluate websites and apps for safety, including checking age ratings and avoiding platforms that ask for unnecessary personal information. Explore safe, age-appropriate platforms together.

Discuss Photo Sharing and Consent

- Set rules for sharing photos, such as not including private details (like their location) and asking for permission before sharing photos of others.

Prepare Them to Spot Scams

- Teach your child to recognize phishing attempts, like emails or messages that promise prizes or ask for personal information. Encourage them to ask you if they're unsure about a link or message.

Encourage Open Communication

- Create a safe space for your child to talk about their online experiences. Reassure them that they can come to you if they encounter anything upsetting, confusing, or unsafe.

Additional Resources



[Common Sense - Help Boost Kids' Safety, Privacy and Security](#)

[Common Sense - The State of Kids' Privacy: Evaluating the Safety & Security of Kid's Tech](#)



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LEARNING SERVICES



Illness Prevention

The health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff remain our top priority. Please continue to monitor your child for symptoms daily before coming to school. This is one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of illness.

Anyone who is exhibiting symptoms of illness, including fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, new or worsening cough, or shortness of breath, should remain at home until their symptoms have improved and they have been free of fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, and they feel well enough to resume normal activities. If your child becomes sick at school, parents/guardians will be called to pick them up. If your child is away from school for any reason, please call the office.

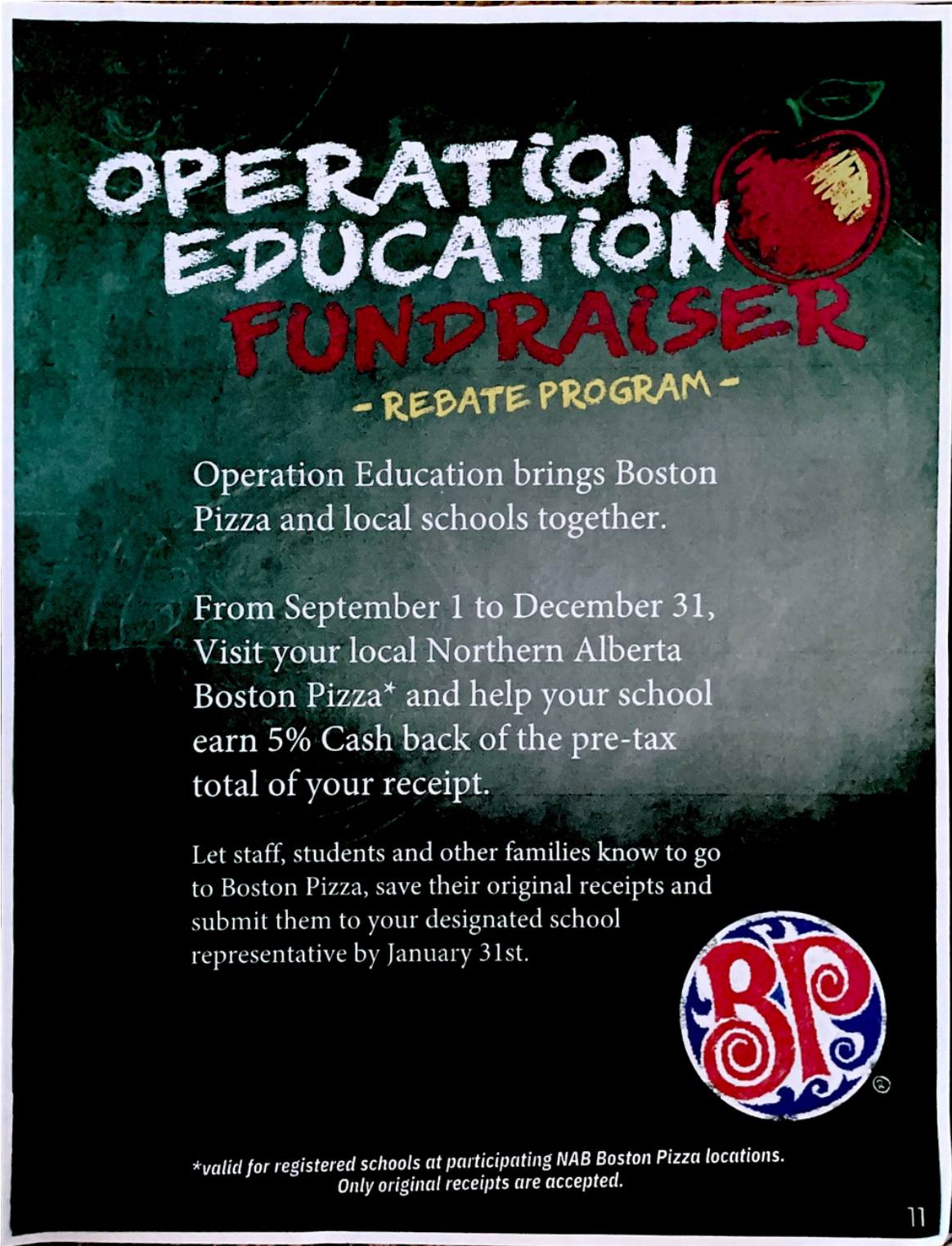


As the weather turns colder, please send your child/children to school dressed for outdoor weather. Students will be outdoors unless the temperature falls below -20C.



Boston Pizza Rebate Program

Bring your Boston Pizza receipts to the school office.




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- REBATE PROGRAM -

Operation Education brings Boston Pizza and local schools together.

From September 1 to December 31,
Visit your local Northern Alberta
Boston Pizza* and help your school
earn 5% Cash back of the pre-tax
total of your receipt.

Let staff, students and other families know to go
to Boston Pizza, save their original receipts and
submit them to your designated school
representative by January 31st.



*valid for registered schools at participating NAB Boston Pizza locations.
Only original receipts are accepted.

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